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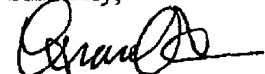
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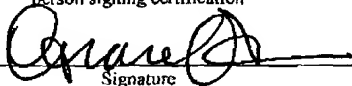
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This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 7, 2003 setting a
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